

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 5, 10, and 12 in accordance with the following:

1-4. (CANCELED)

5. (Currently Amended) A computer system for mediating between at least one user terminal, at least one manufacturer terminal, and at least one insurer terminal via a network, said system comprising:

a first computer storage part in which purchase information related to products possessed by at least one user is stored;

a second computer storage part in which at least an identifier of a product and guarantee information related to said product are stored for each product available from said at least one manufacturer; and

an insurance request part which sends request data for insurance on ~~said products at least one product~~ to the insurer terminal, wherein the request data for insurance includes ~~first product data on the at least one product, which is~~ specified by a user terminal in said first computer storage, and ~~second data on the at least one product, related to the product data, which is based on the information from the manufacturer~~ stored in said second computer storage.

6. (ORIGINAL) The system as claimed in claim 5, wherein said insurance request part sends information including at least a number of years used, year and month of purchase and maintenance of the product.

7. (ORIGINAL) The system as claimed in claim 5, wherein said insurance request part sends information for collectively insuring a plurality of products possessed by the user with a single insurance contract.

8. (ORIGINAL) The system as claimed in claim 5, wherein said insurance request part further comprises:

a quote estimate part requesting a quote estimate from a plurality of insurers; and a sign-up part sending a sign-up instruction to the insurer selected by the user to make a contract for insurance.

9. (CANCELLED)

10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of mediating between at least one user terminal, at least one manufacturer terminal, and at least one insurer terminal over a network, said method comprising:

receiving purchase information related to products possessed by at least one user; storing said purchase information in a first computer storage part; and requesting data for insurance on at least one product ~~said products~~ to the insurer terminal,

wherein the request data for insurance includes first product data on the at least one product, which is specified by a user terminal from purchase information stored in said first computer storage part, and second data on the at least one product, related to the product data, which is based on the information from the manufacturer stored in a second computer storage part,

wherein said second computer storage part stores at least an identifier of a product and guarantee information related to said product for each product available from said at least one manufacturer.

11. (CANCELLED)

12. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer-readable medium storing a program for executing a method of operating a product information system mediating between at least one user terminal, at least one manufacturer terminal, and at least one insurer terminal over a network, said method comprising:

receiving purchase information related to products possessed by at least one user; storing said purchase information in a first computer storage part; and requesting data for insurance on ~~said products~~ at least one product to the insurer terminal,

wherein the request data for insurance includes first product data on the at least one product, which is specified by a user terminal from purchase information stored in said first computer storage part and second data on the at least one product, related to the product data,

which is based on the information from the manufacturer stored in a second computer storage part,

wherein said second computer storage part stores at least an identifier of a product and guarantee information related to said product for each product available from said at least one manufacturer.